

**SCAVENGER**

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**DISCOVER AUSTRAILIA**

**NAME:**

**Directions:** Many Australians celebrate Australia Day on January

26. On that day in 1788, Captain Arthur Phillip established the

first European settlement in what is now the city of Sydney,

Australia. Explore the Web site provided to learn about Australia

today. **(Be sure to click on *Click here*** ***for statistics on Australia* for**

**some important information** **about Australia.)** Then read each

statement below. Check the box next to **TRUE** if the statement is true. Check

the box next to **FALSE** if the statement is false.

**Web Resources:** Australia

<http://www.ozramp.net.au/~senani/austral.htm>

1. Australia is larger in size than the United States.

TRUE  FALSE

1. Australia is called “The Land Down Under” because it is located in the Southern Hemisphere, south of the equator.

TRUE  FALSE

1. Most people in Australia live in the outback.

TRUE  FALSE

1. The capital of Australia is Canberra.

TRUE  FALSE

1. The seven-pointed star on the Australian flag represents the states and territories of Australia.

TRUE  FALSE

**Something to think about:** Most Indigenous Australians, whose ancestors lived in Australia before the European settlers arrived, do not celebrate Australia Day. How do you think Indigenous Australians feel about the European settlement of Australia?

**Learn More:** To learn more about Australia, explore Australia for Kids at <http://www2.lhric.org/pocantico/australia/australia.htm>. Then click *Fun Things to Do* to choose and complete an activity.